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FOR DR. BRZEZINSKI ONLY

FOLLOWING REPEAT TOKYO 10653 ACTION SECSTATE JUL 15.

QUOTE S E C R E T TOKYO 10653

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR MANSFIELD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, US, JA

SUBJECT: EFFECT OF NUCLEAR REPROCESSING ISSUE ON U.S. RELATIONS
WITH JAPAN

REF: STATE 162290

1. MY FIRST MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA ON JULY 15
AFFORDED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO CONVEY PERSONALLY PRESIDENT
CARTER'S MESSAGE AS YOU REQUESTED.

2. AFTER NOTING THAT THE U.S.-JAPAN JOINT TECHNICAL TEAM HAD
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COMPLETED ITS DETAILED FACT FINDING SURVEY OF THE TOKAI MURA
FACILITY, I EXPRESSED OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE SPLENDID COOPERA-
TION EXTENDED TO THE AMERICAN MEMBERS OF THE TEAM BY THEIR
JAPANESE COUNTERPARTS. I THEN STATED THAT I WAS CONFIDENT
THAT THE REPORT PREPARED BY THE JOINT TEAM WOULD RECEIVE THE
PRESIDENT'S MOST CAREFUL ATTENTION AND THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD
ASKED THAT I ASSURE THE PRIME MINISTER THAT HE WILL PERSONALLY

EXPEDITE A COMPROMISE DECISION ON THIS ISSUE. I ASKED THE PRIME MINISTER TO HOLD THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.

3. THE PRIME MINISTER RESPONDED THAT HE HAD INTENDED TO RAISE THIS MATTER WITH ME. HE SAID THAT HE HAD RECEIVED THE REPORT ON THE SURVEY AND WISHED TO EXPRESS HIS ADMIRATION FOR THE EARNEST AND CAREFUL WORK WHICH HAD BEEN DONE BY THE AMERICAN TEAM. HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT THIS REPORT COULD PROVIDE THE BASIS FOR FURTHER CONSULTATIONS LOOKING TO AN ULTIMATE SOLUTION. HE THEN SAID THAT HE HAD IN MIND REQUESTING S&T AGENCY DIRECTOR UNO TO VISIT THE U.S. AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY TO FURTHER THE PROCESS OF REACHING A SOLUTION AND THAT A FORMAL PROPOSAL TO THIS EFFECT WOULD BE MADE THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. THE PRIME MINISTER EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S MESSAGE WHICH HE SAID ESTABLISHED A GOOD DIRECTION FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THIS PROBLEM. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT BOTH SIDES WOULD DO THEIR BEST TO ACHIEVE THAT RESULT.
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